

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 15 are pending in the present application.

In the above amendments, claims 13-14 have been canceled.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 101

Claims 13 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

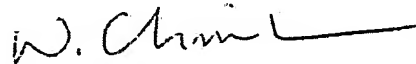
Applicant has canceled claims 13-14, without prejudice, solely to expedite the prosecution of this case. The outstanding 35 USC 101 rejections are therefore deemed moot.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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